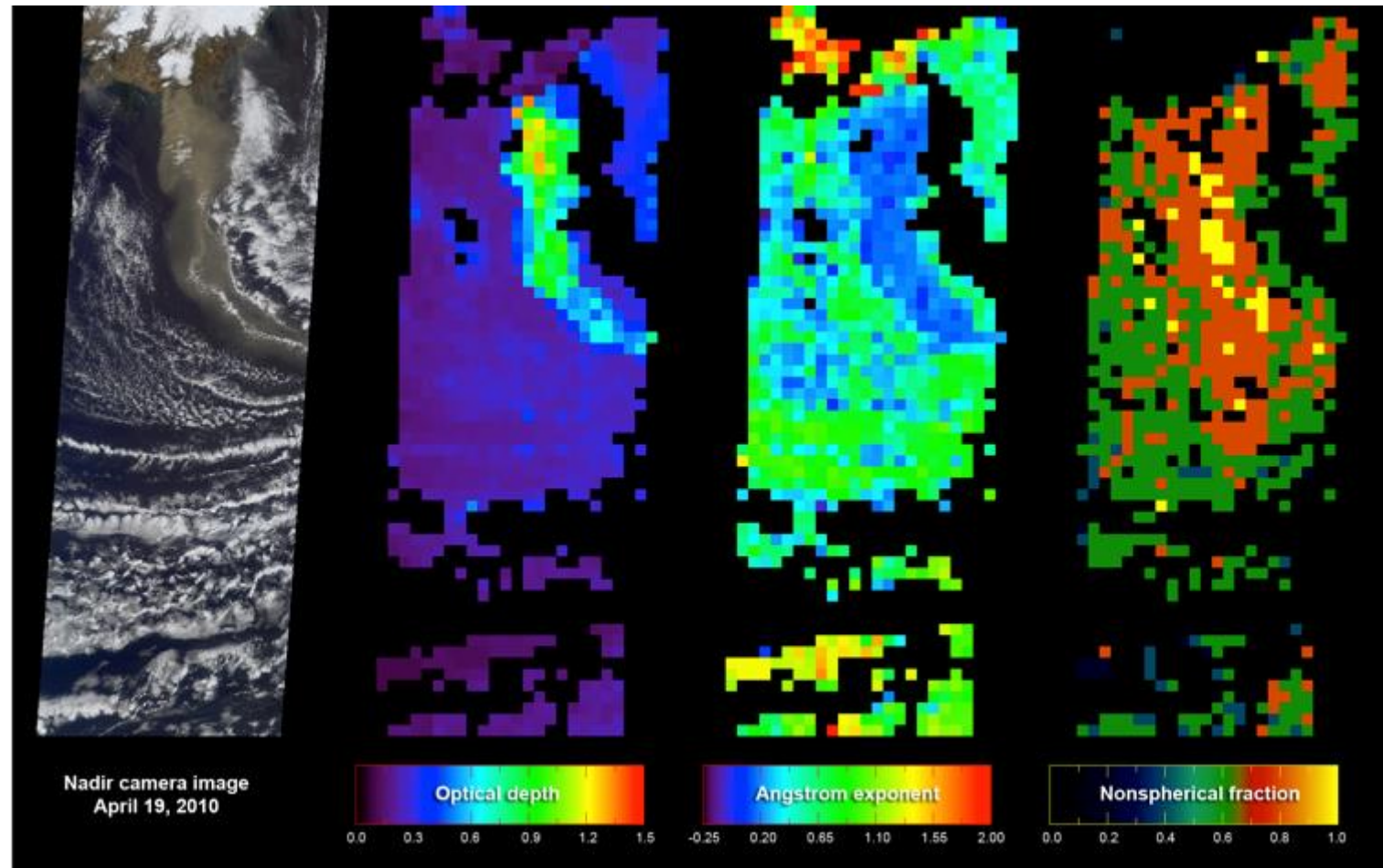


# MISR *Eyjafjallajökull* & *Grimsvötn* Retrievals

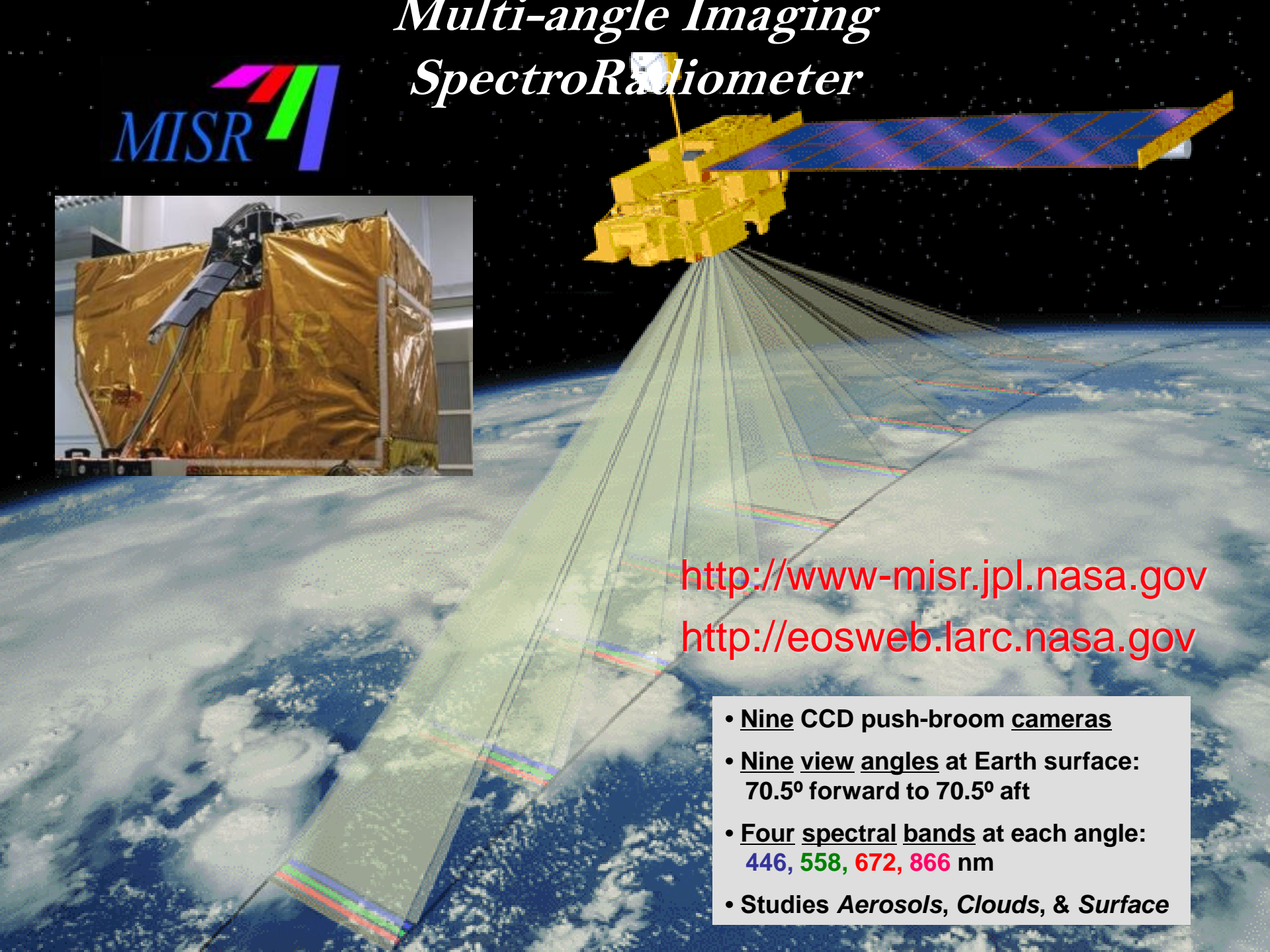
*Ralph Kahn & James Limbacher*

*NASA Goddard Space Flight Center*



*Eyjafjallajökull Volcano Ash Plume – MISR Aerosol Retrieval – April 19, 2010*

# Multi-angle Imaging SpectroRadiometer

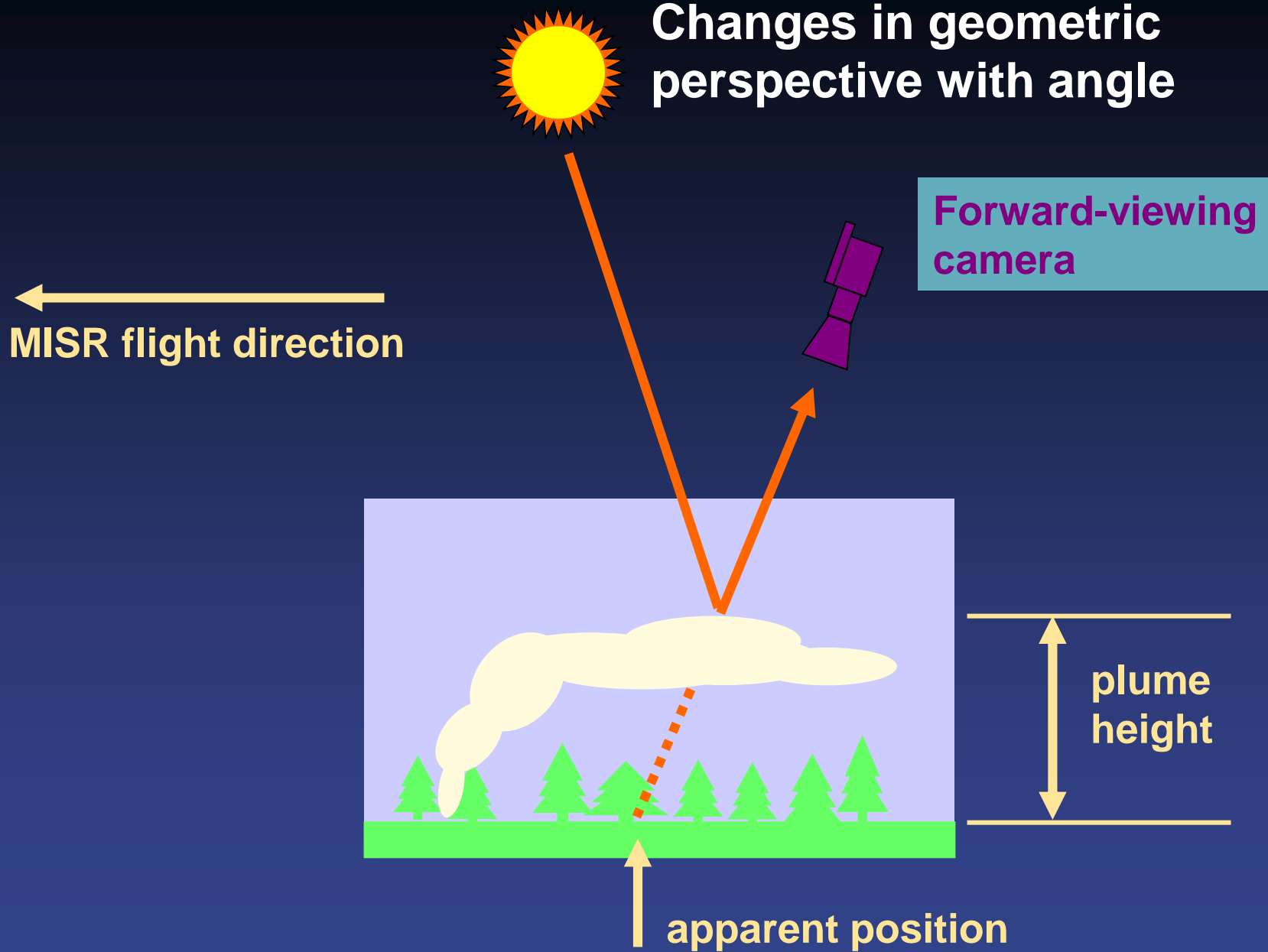


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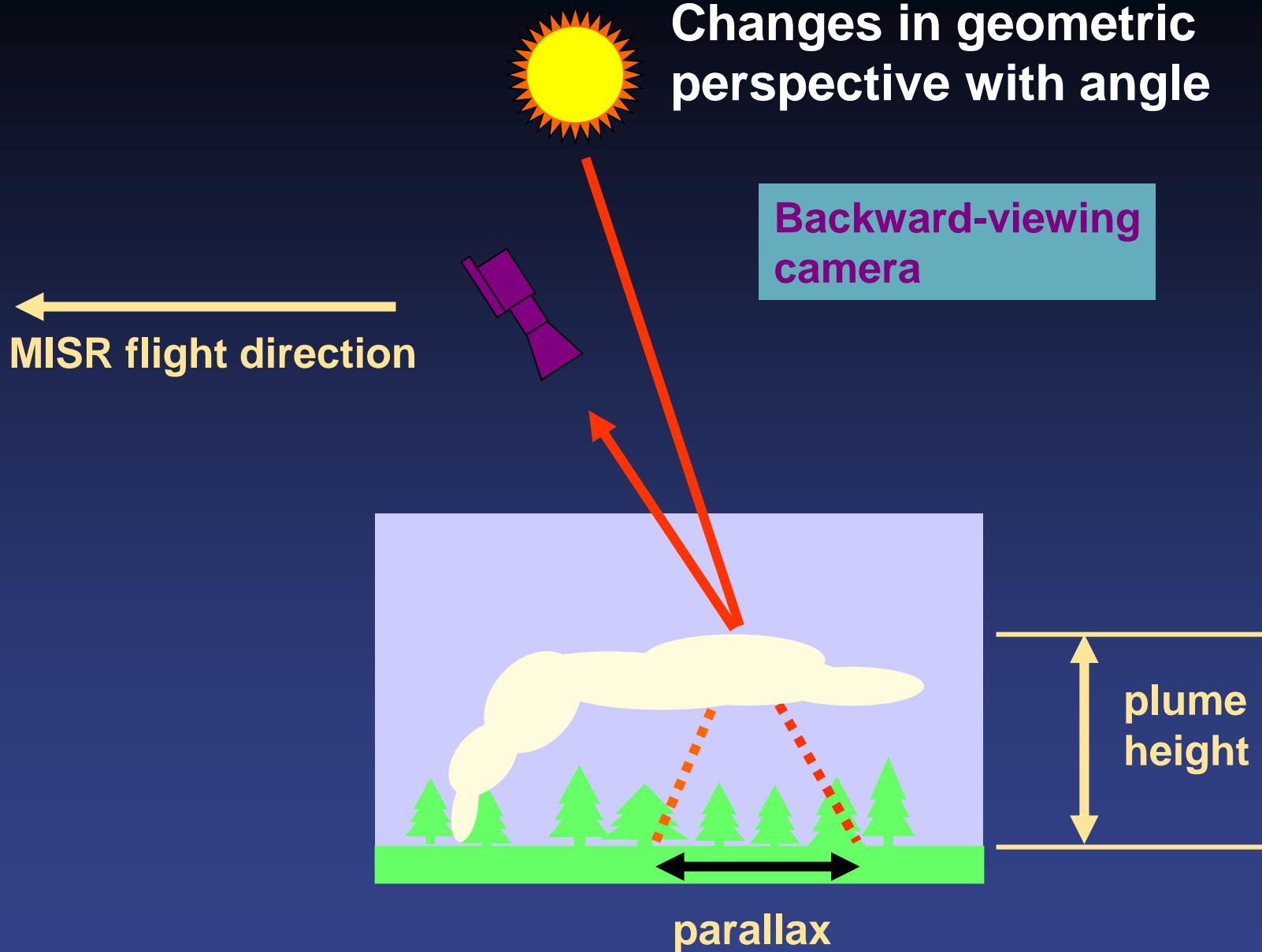
<http://eosweb.larc.nasa.gov>

- Nine CCD push-broom cameras
- Nine view angles at Earth surface:  
70.5° forward to 70.5° aft
- Four spectral bands at each angle:  
446, 558, 672, 866 nm
- Studies Aerosols, Clouds, & Surface

# Changes in geometric perspective with angle



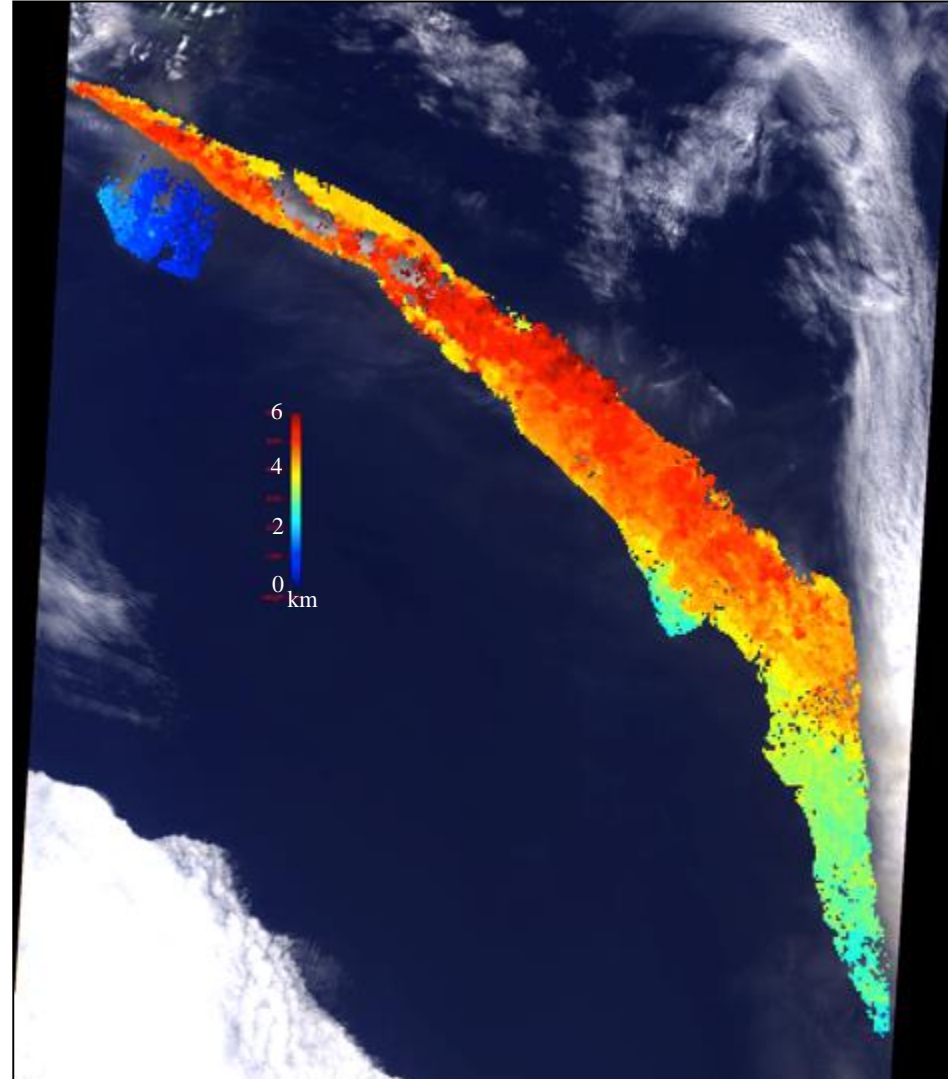
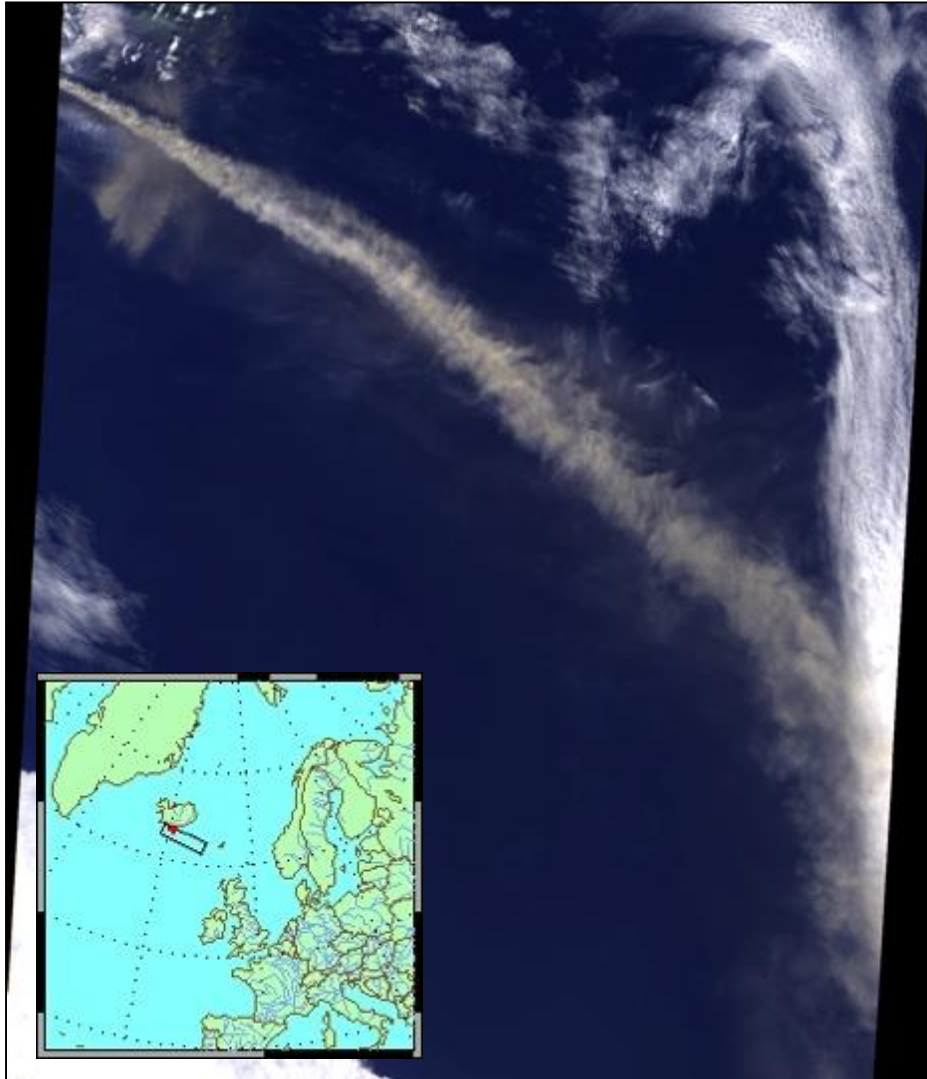
# Changes in geometric perspective with angle



# *Eyjafjallajökull Volcano*

## *MISR Stereo-Derived **Plume Heights***

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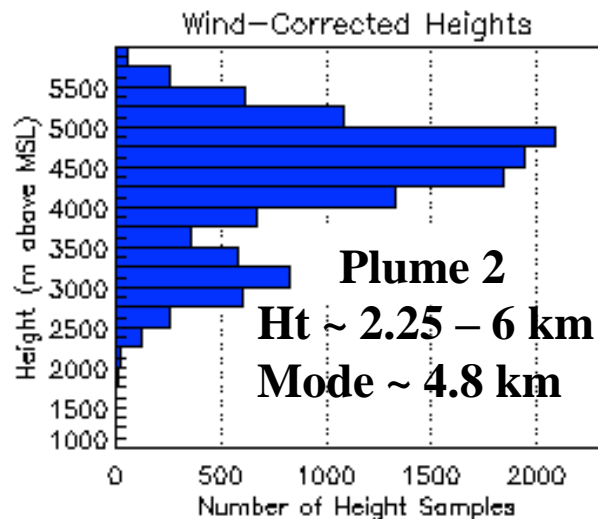
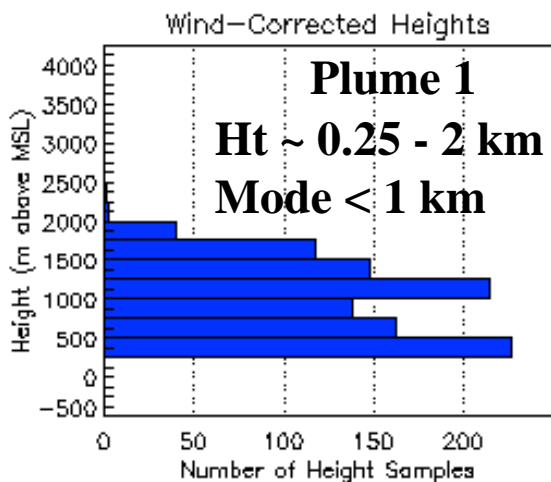


# *Eyjafjallajökull Volcano*

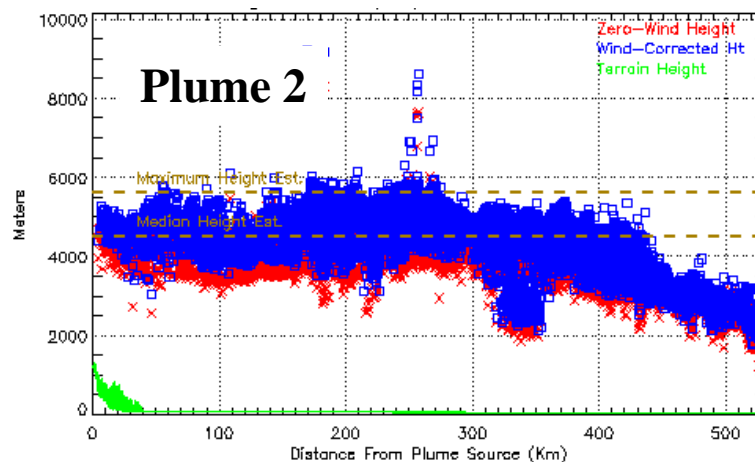
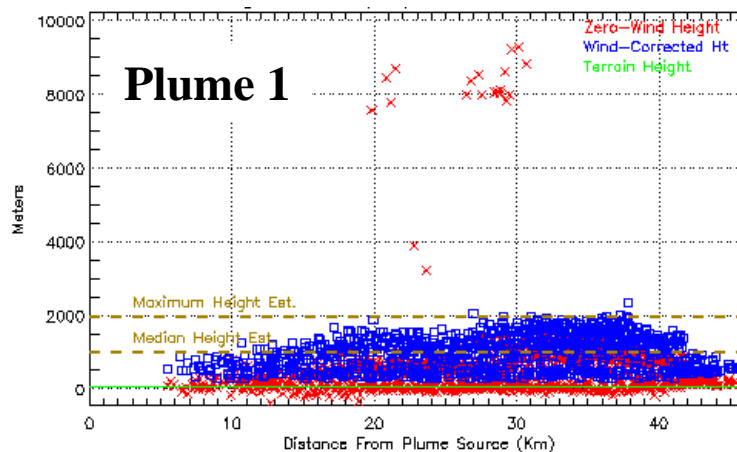
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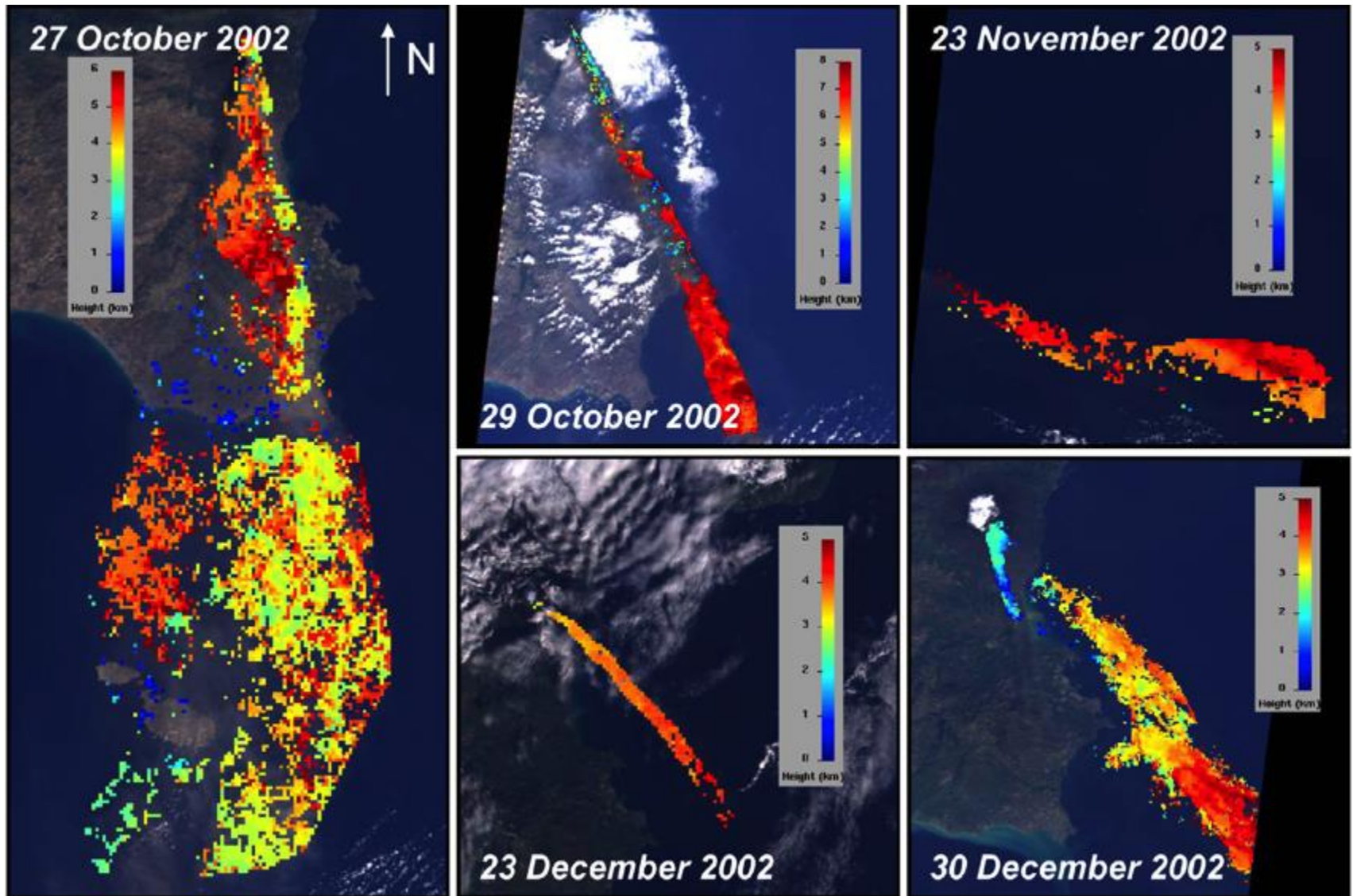


Height: **Blue** = Wind-corrected



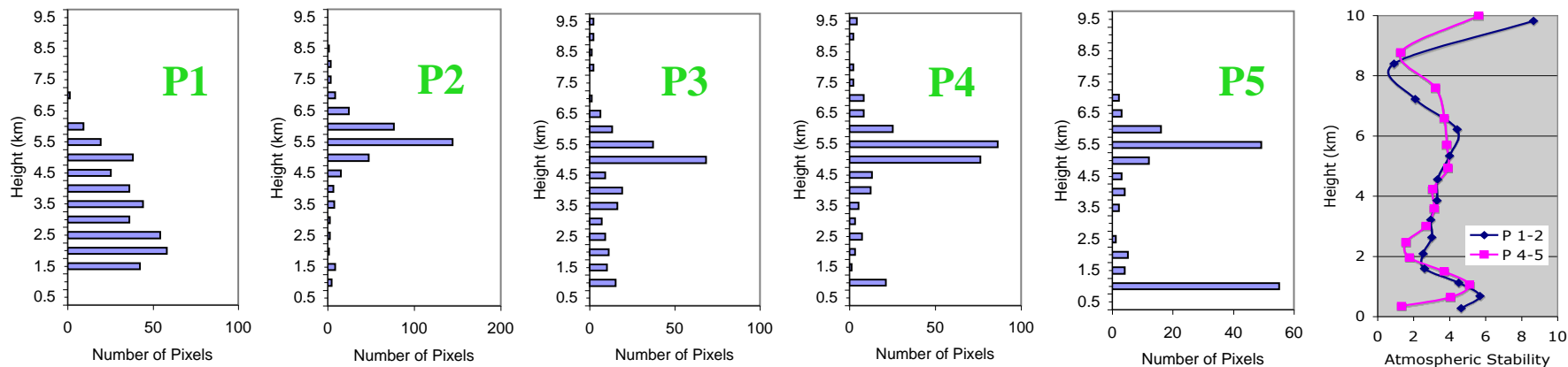
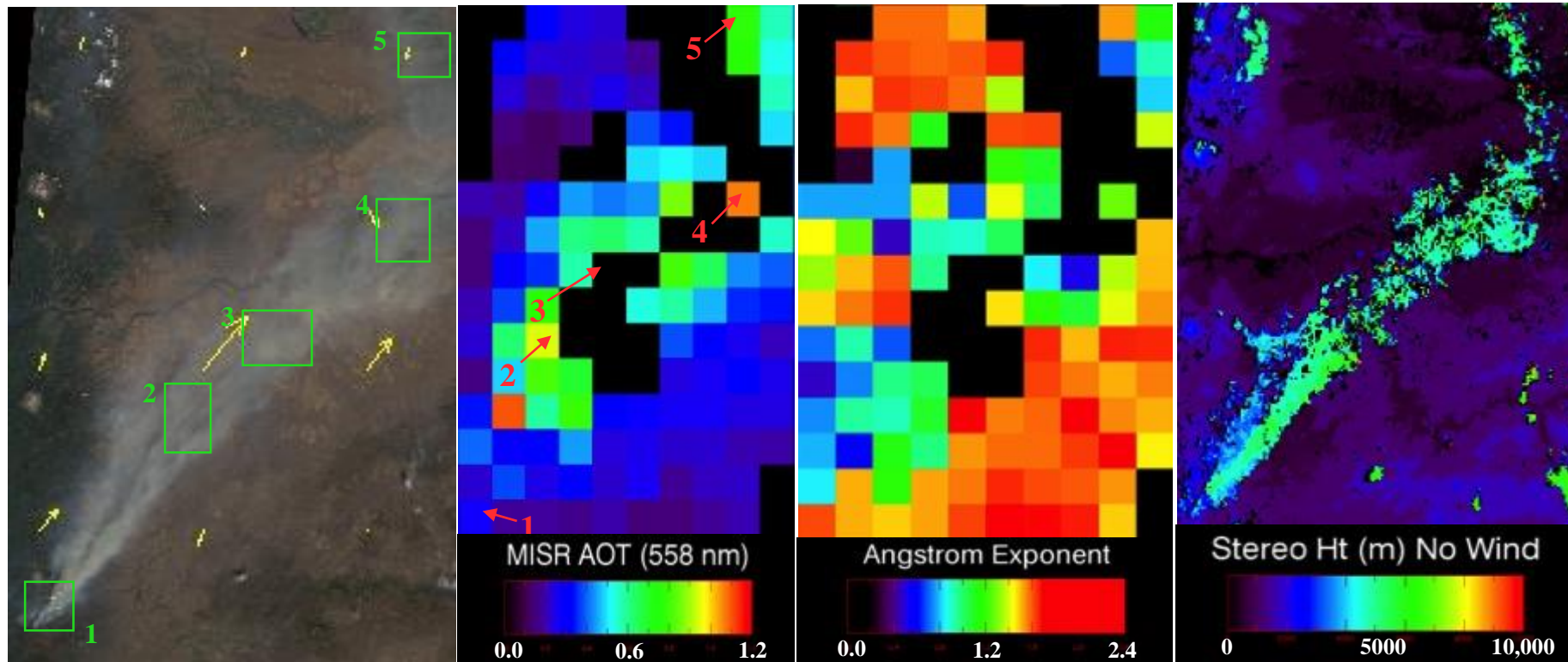
# *Etna Volcano*

## *MISR Stereo-Derived **Plume Heights***



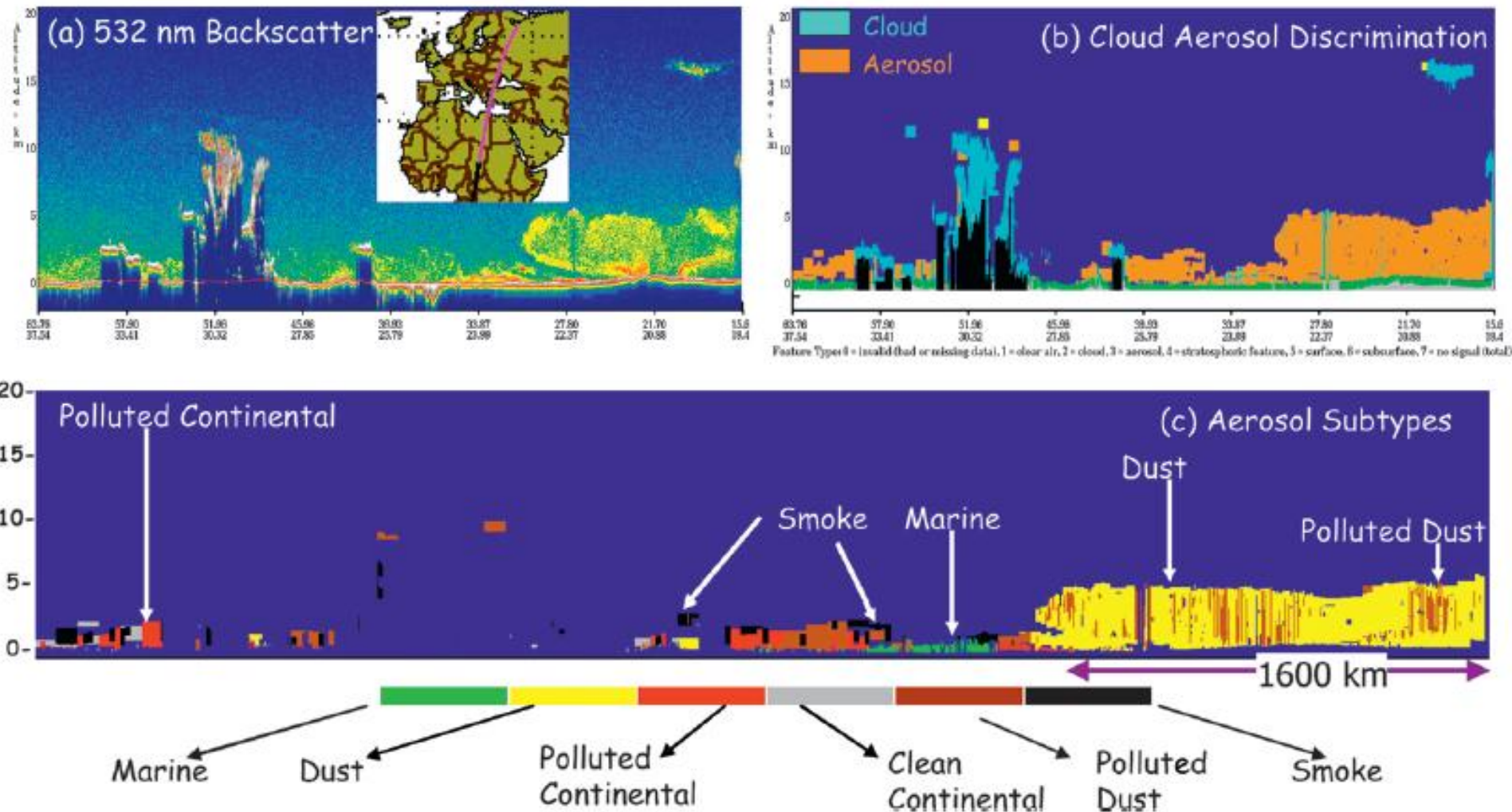
# Oregon Fire Sept 04 2003

Orbit 19753 Blks 53-55 MISR Aerosols V17, Heights V13 (no winds)

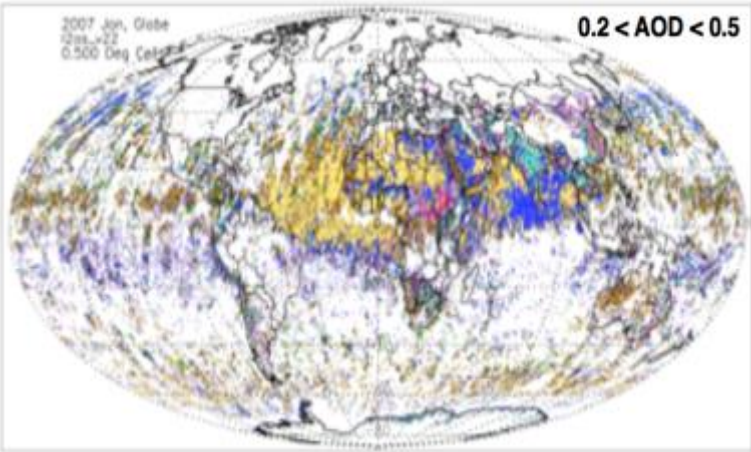




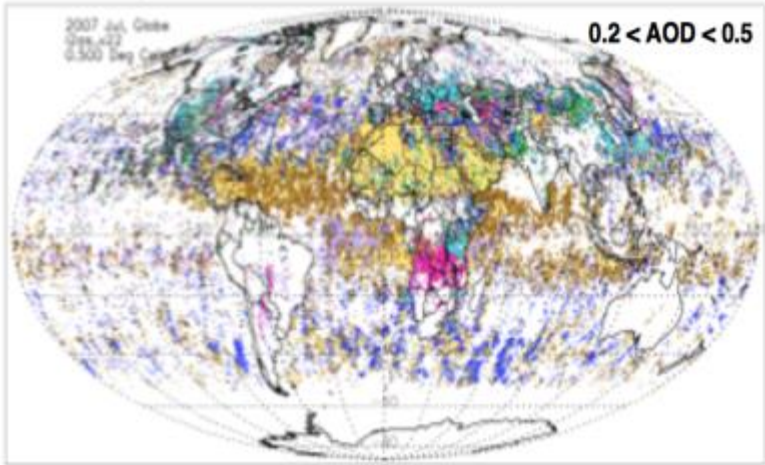
# The Cloud-Aerosol Lidar and Infrared Pathfinder Satellite Observations (CALIPSO)



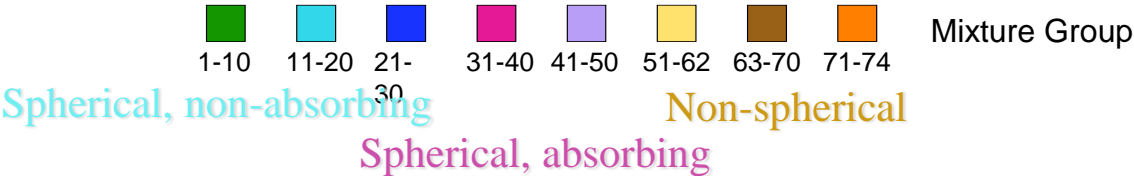
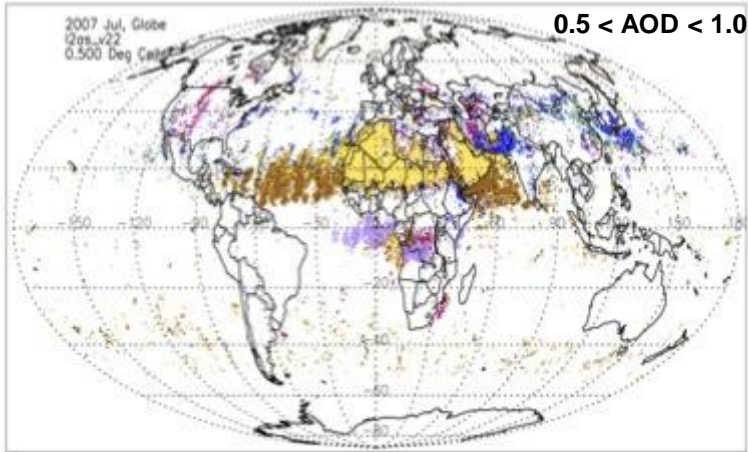
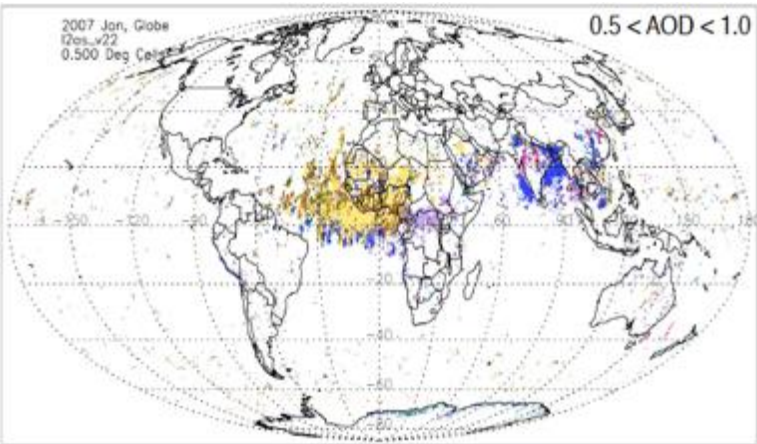
# MISR Aerosol Type Discrimination



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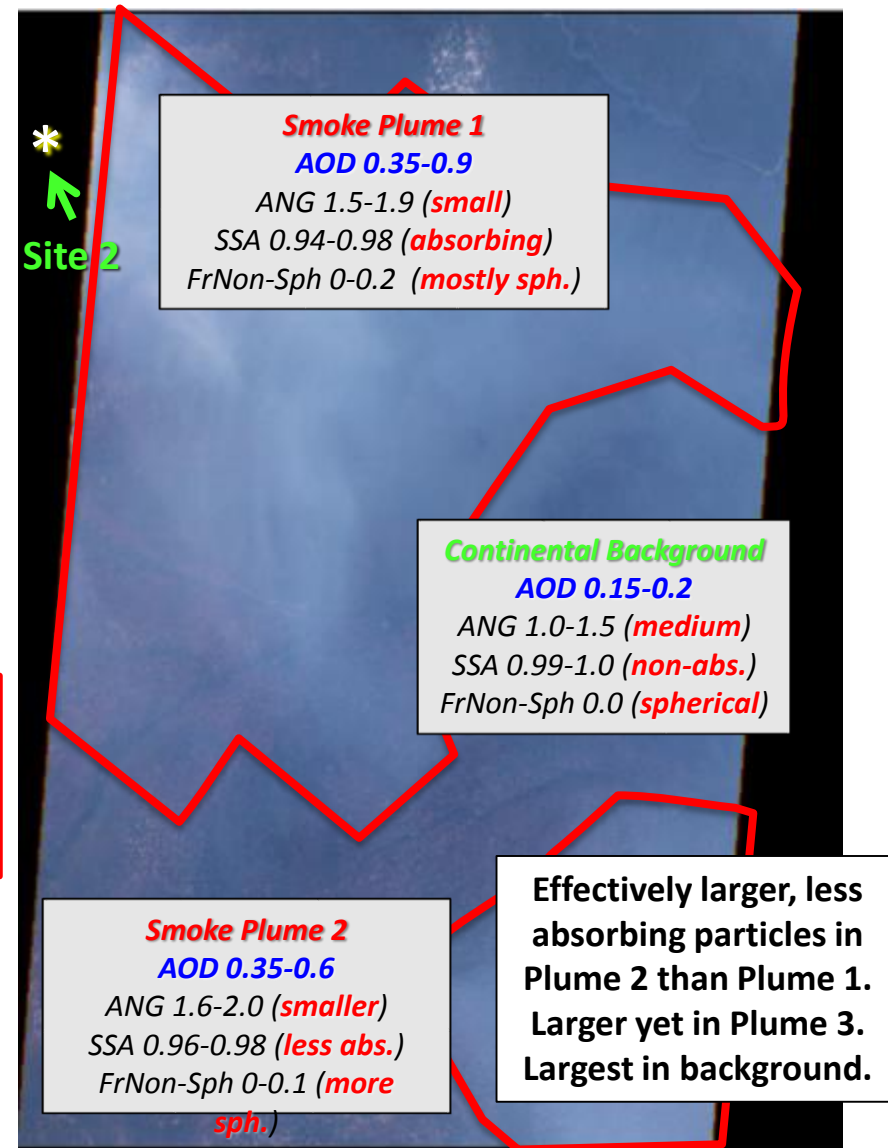
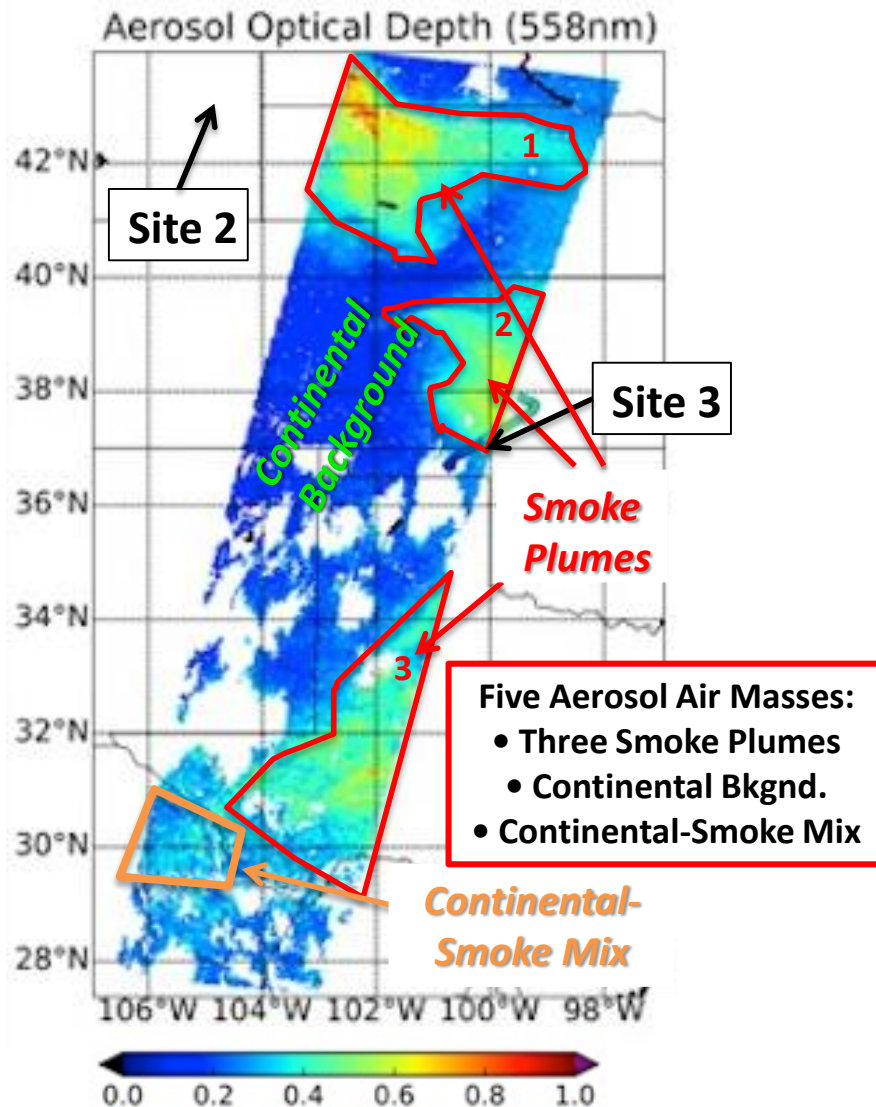


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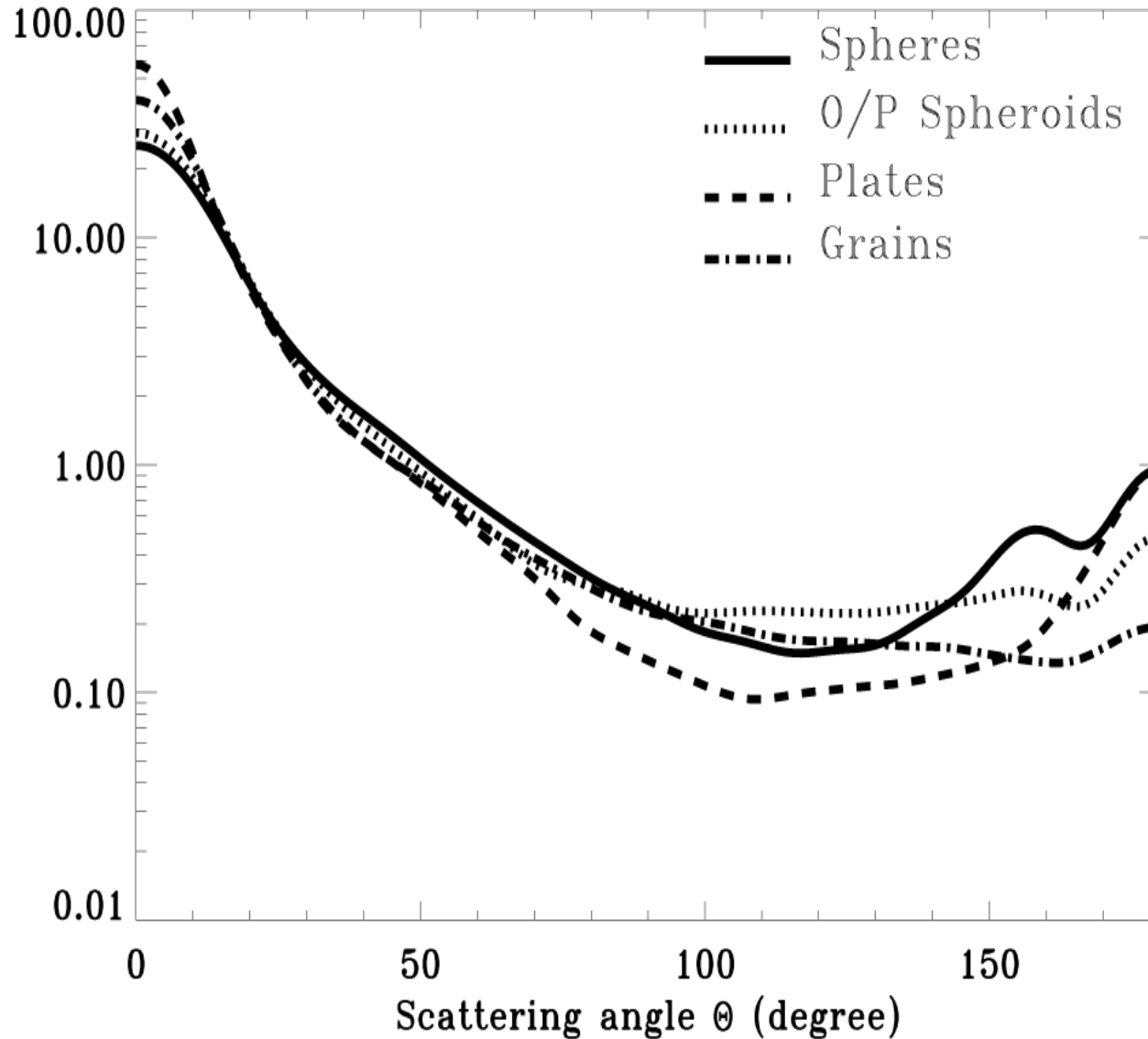


# SEAC<sup>4</sup>RS – MISR Overview 19 August 2013



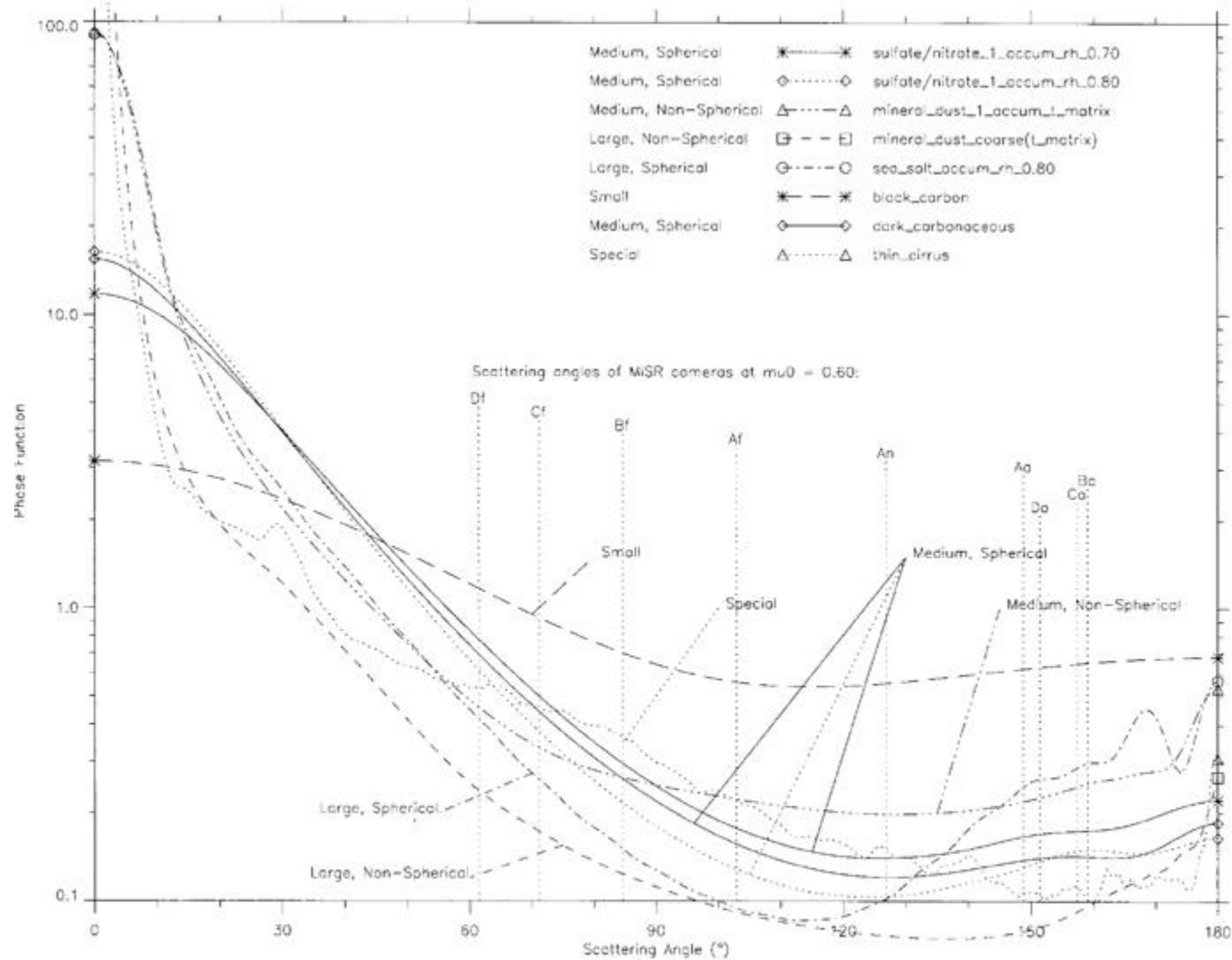
Passive-remote-sensing **Aerosol Type** is a **Total-Column-Effective, Categorical** variable!!

# Single-scattering Phase Functions for Different Particle **Shapes**





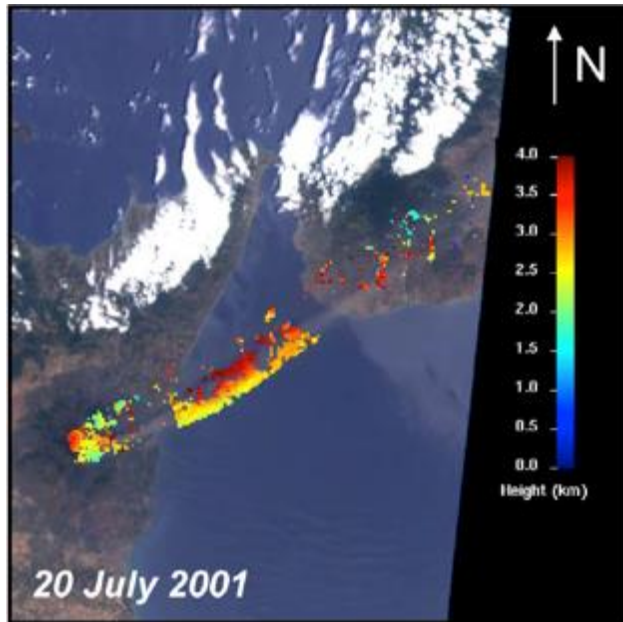
# Single-scattering Phase Functions for Different Particle **Types**



**Figure 1.** Single-scattering phase functions for six particle types (including two hydration states for sulfate particles) and thin cirrus, for MISR band 3 (672 nm effective wavelength). Detailed physical properties for these particles are given in Table 3. Superposed on this plot are the scattering angles sampled by the nine MISR cameras for a typical midlatitude case. Camera designations are “A,” “B,” “C,” and “D” for the four pairs of cameras viewing at shallow through steep viewing angles, respectively, “f” for forward looking, “a” for aft-looking, and “An” for nadir-viewing cameras.

# Mount Etna Plume Height and Eruption Style from MISR

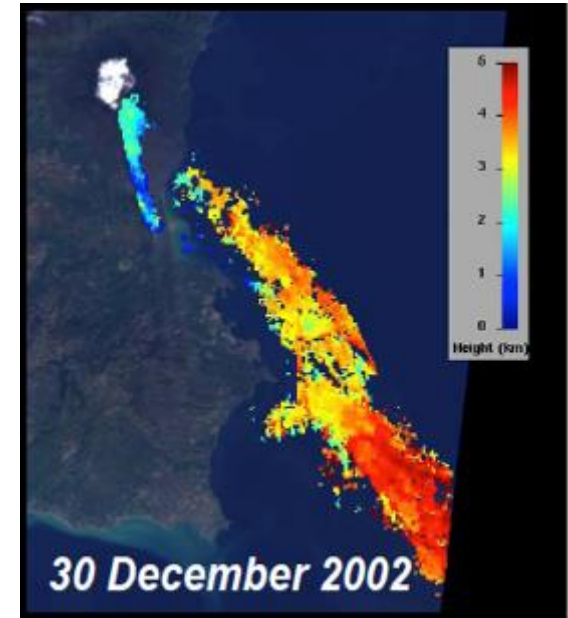
Scollo, S. R.A. Kahn, D.L. Nelson, M. Coltelli, D.J. Diner, M.J. Garay, and V.J. Realmuto  
**MISR observations of Etna volcanic plumes.** *J. Geophys. Res.* 2012



MISR nadir-viewing, true-color image showing Etna, with stereo-derived plume height superposed



29 Sept. 2006 – MISR retrieved mostly small spherical particles, indicating a sulfate/water-dominated plume



MISR stereo heights for the ash-dominated plume on 30 December 2002

## Indications of **Eruption Strength:**

- **Plume Height** from MISR stereo imaging
- **Ash to Sulfate/Water particle AOD ratio** from MISR-retrieved particle shape and size

# Mount Etna Plume Height and Eruption Style from MISR

<sup>§</sup> Etna Eruption Time (UTC)	Mean AOD	AOD Range	AOD Sph. Fraction Mean	AOD Sph. Fract. Range	Small	Med	Large
<b><i>Ash-Dominated, Both MISR &amp; Surface Obs.</i></b>			<b><i>Mostly Large, Non-Spherical</i></b>				
27 Oct 2002 at 10:00 <sup>§</sup>	0.31	[0.04 0.58]	0.42	[0.1 1]	0.31	0.23	0.46
23 Dec 2002 at 09:54	0.11	[0.09 0.12]	0.43	[0.4 1]	0.40	0.11	0.49
30 Dec 2002 at 10:04 <sup>§</sup>	0.11	[0.04 0.14]	0.76	[0 1]	0.35	0.16	0.49
<b><i>Sulfate/Water-Dominated, Both MISR &amp; Surface Obs.</i></b>			<b><i>Mostly Small, Spherical</i></b>				
29 July 2001 at 10:01	0.18	[0.15 0.25]	0.93	[0.6 1]	0.77	0.09	0.13
23 Nov 2002 at 09:42 <sup>§</sup>	0.13	[0.07 0.19]	0.97	[0.2 1]	0.56	0.24	0.20
08 Jan 2003 at 09:54	0.15	[0.13 0.16]	0.95	[0.8 1]	0.49	0.08	0.43
29 Sept 2006 at 09:52	0.22	[0.15 0.26]	0.87	[0.6 1]	0.75	0.13	0.12
16 Nov 2006 at 09:46	0.08	[0.05 0.13]	0.94	[0.6 1]	0.67	0.08	0.25
25 Nov 2006 at 09:46	0.10	[0.05 0.15]	1	[1 1]	0.61	0.03	0.36
<b><i>Particle Type Surface Validation Data Lacking</i></b>							
23 May 2000 at 10:08 <sup>§</sup>	0.36	[0.26 0.38]	0.25	[0.2 0.4]	0.23	0.35	0.42
01 Jun 2000 at 10:02	0.14	[0.03 0.22]	0.89	[0.4 1]	0.72	0.15	0.13

<sup>§</sup> AOD Sph. Fraction Mean = Mean MISR-retrieved green band AOD value attributed to spherical particles  
 AOD Sph. Fract. Range = Range of MISR-retrieved green band AOD fraction attributed to spherical particles  
 Small = MISR-retrieved green-band AOD fraction of particles having small size (<0.35  $\mu\text{m}$  radius)  
 Med = MISR-retrieved green-band AOD fraction of particles having medium size (0.35 < 0.7  $\mu\text{m}$  radius)  
 Large = MISR-retrieved green-band AOD fraction of particles having large size (>0.7  $\mu\text{m}$  radius)

<sup>§</sup> Volcanic ash detected by MODIS

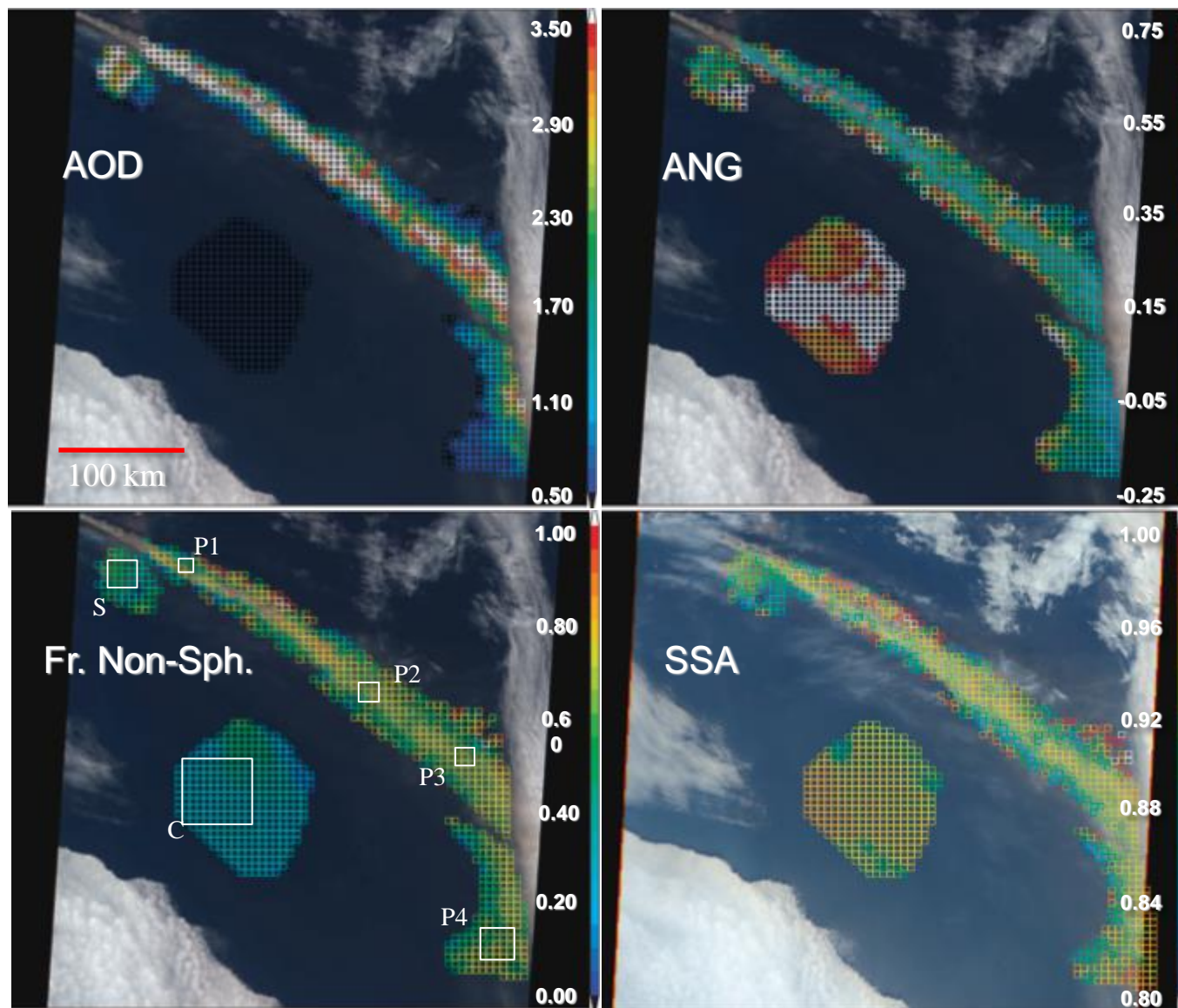
## 32 Components, 1200 mixing groups, 343200 mixtures

[illegible]



# MISR Research *Aerosol Retrievals*

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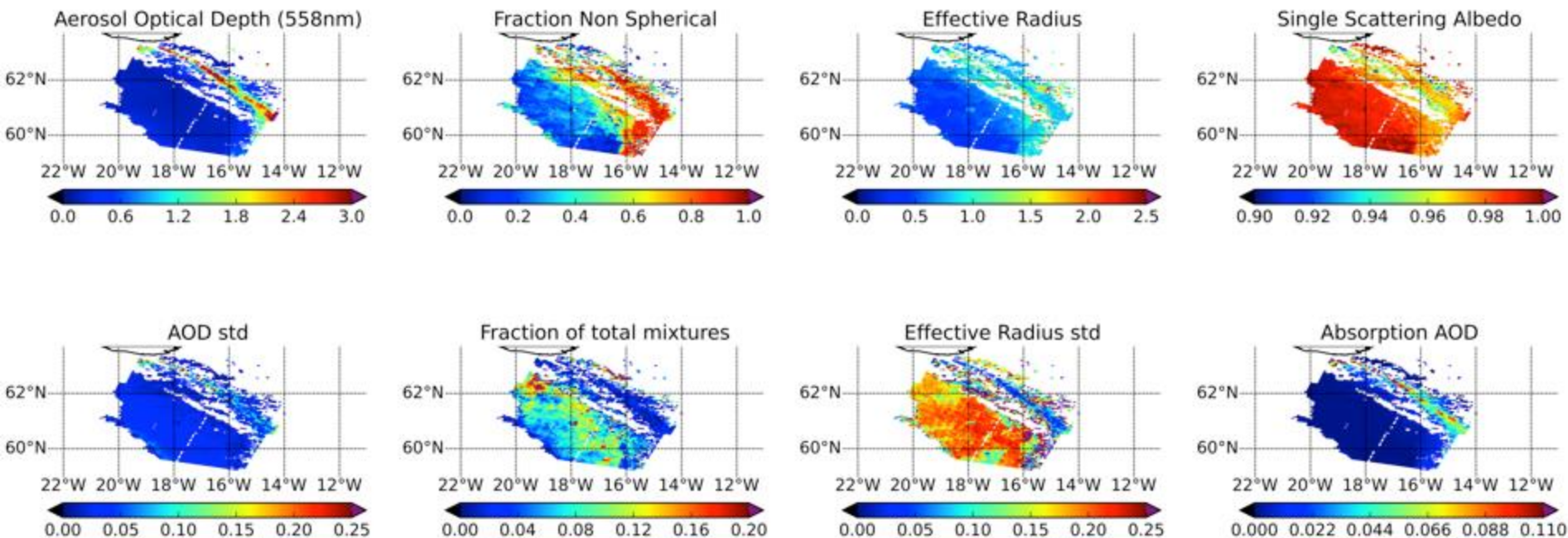
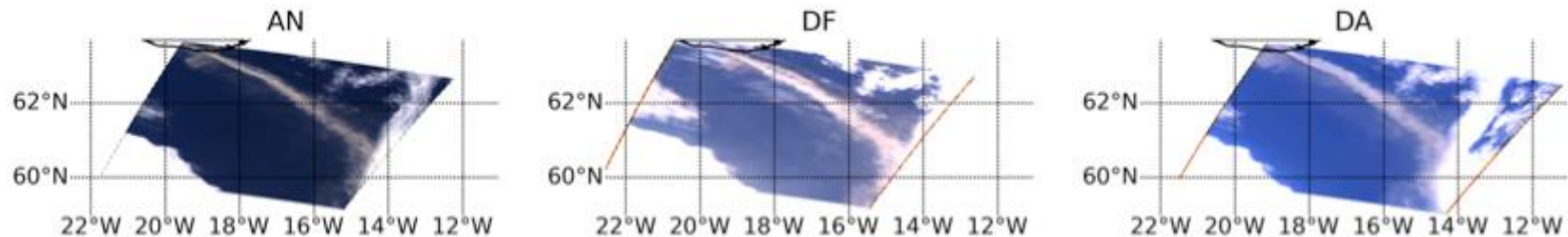
- Plume Particles**
- Distinct from background  
-- *larger, darker*  
-- *much higher AOD*
  - *Non-spherical* dominated
  - Brighten downwind
  - Tend to decrease in size downwind

*3.3 km retrievals*

# *MISR Research Aerosol Retrievals*

*(AOD, particle properties)*

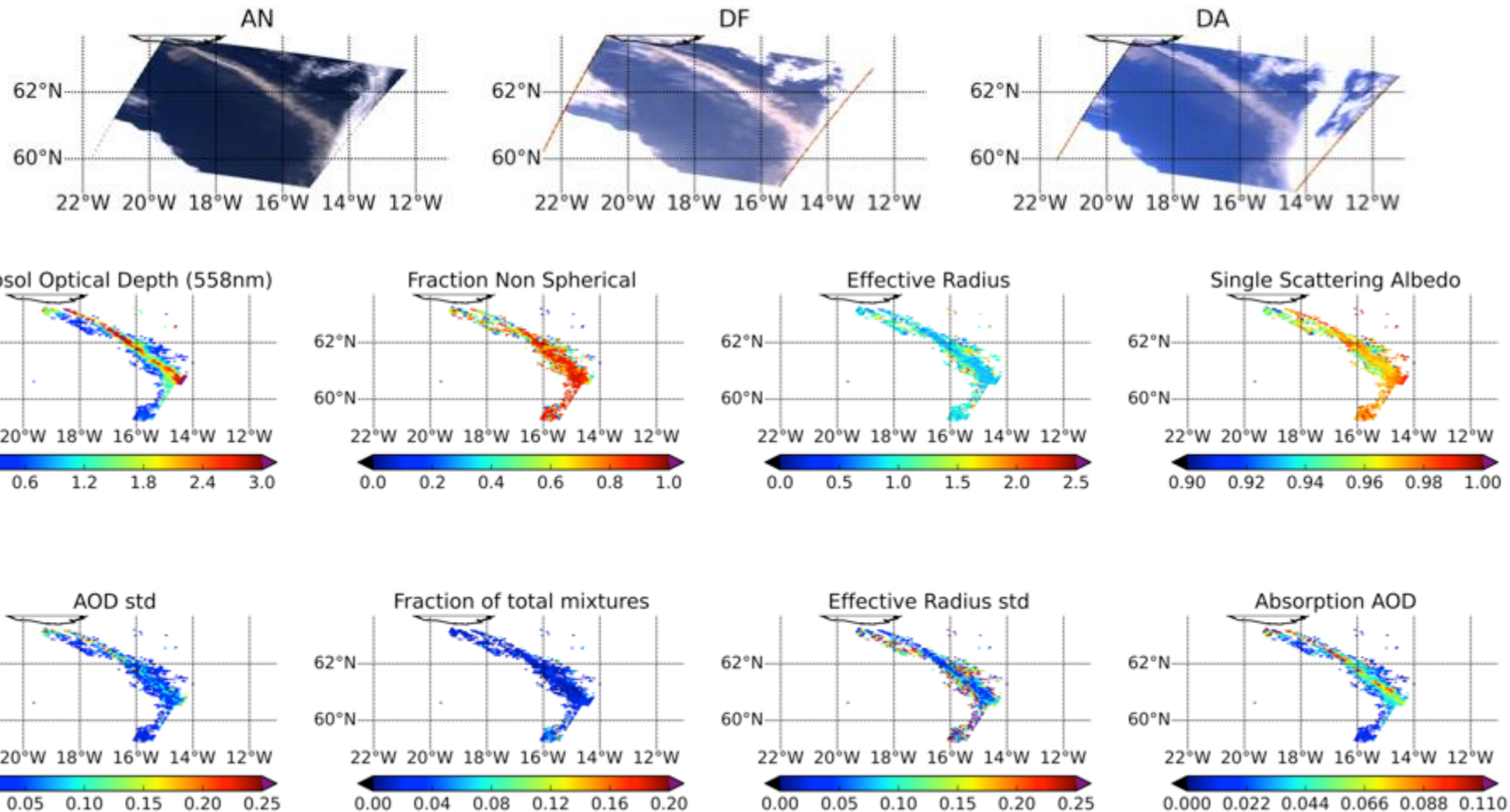
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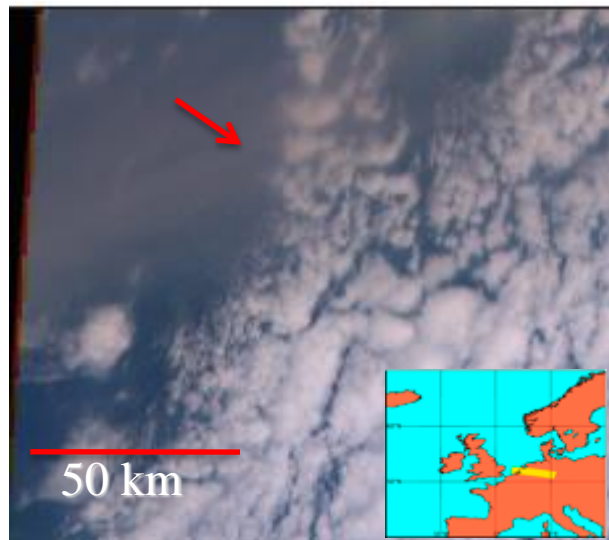
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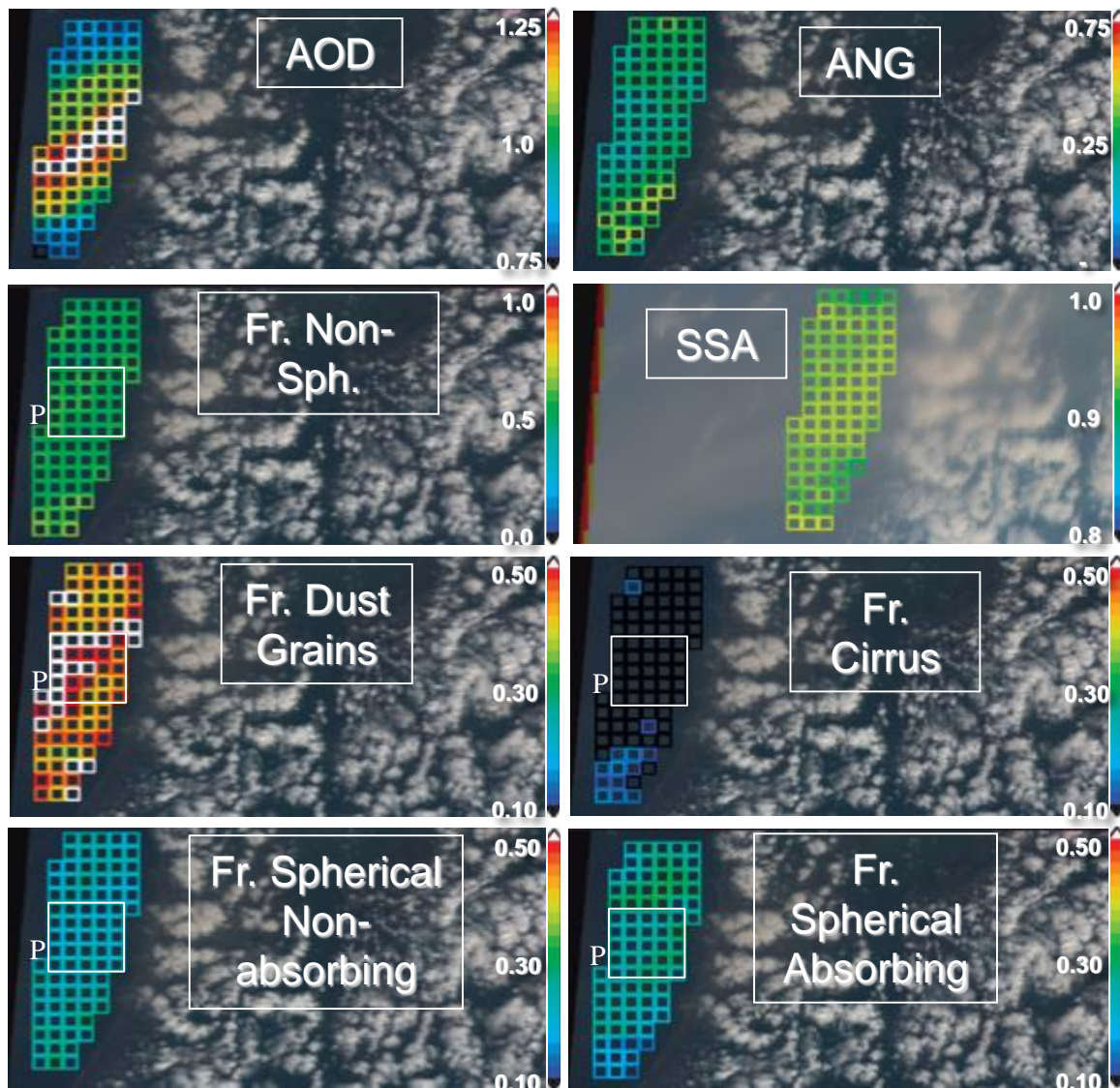


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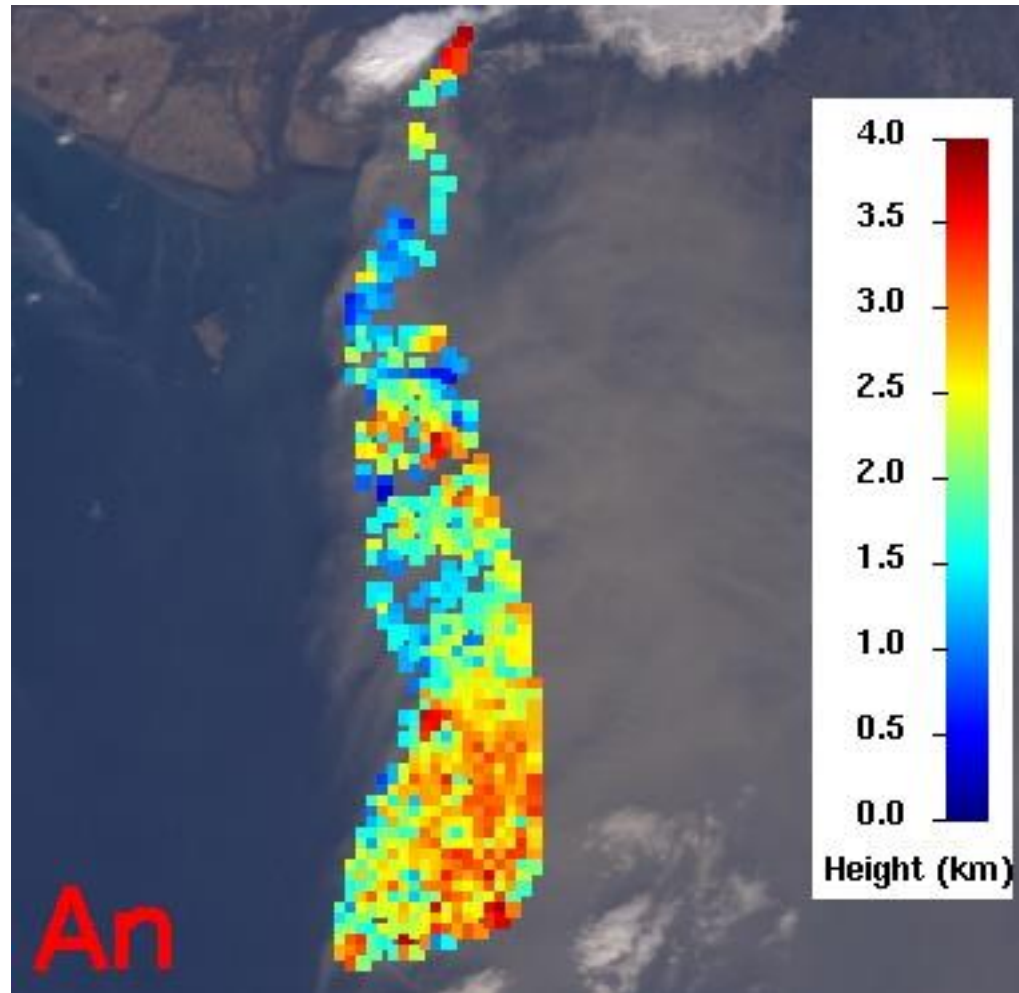
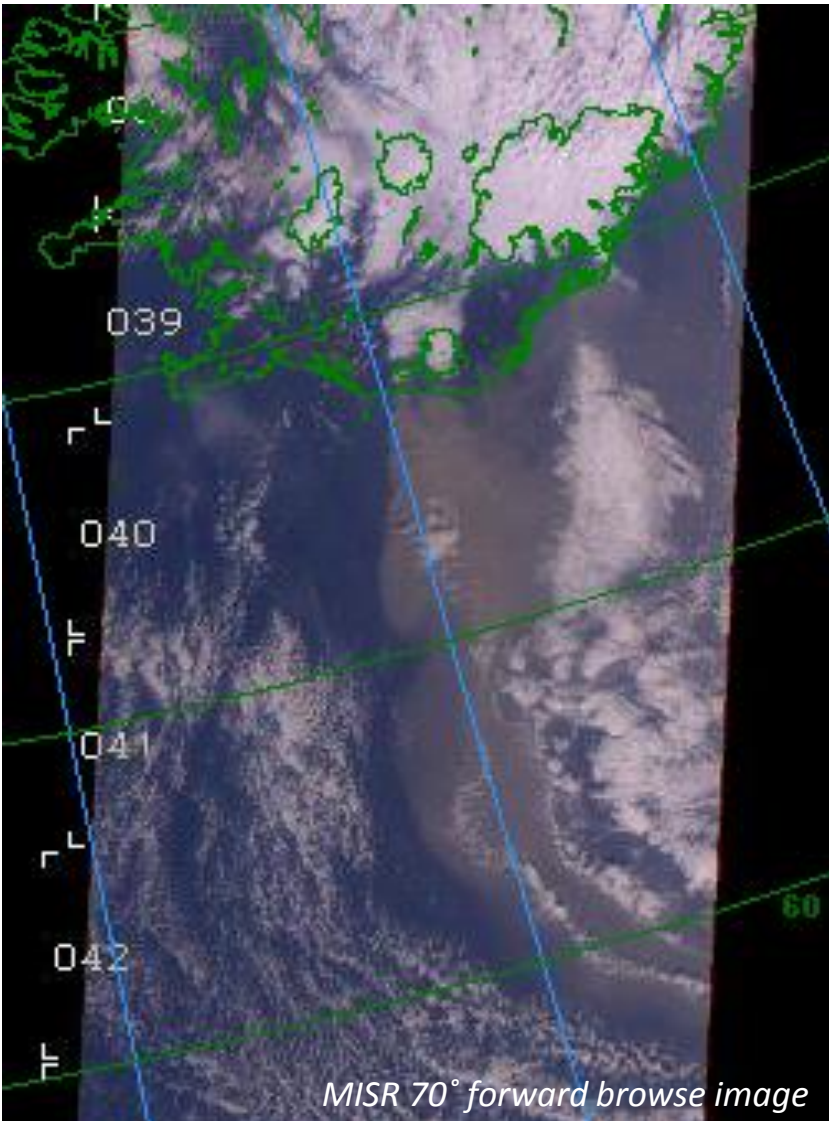
- *1-2 days downwind* of Iceland volcano source
- Distinctly *high AOD* (peak >1.25)
- Retrieved ~50% AOD *non-spherical* dust grains
- *Medium* particles ~ no “cirrus”
- Model *back-trajectory needed* to identify plume confidently





# Grimsvötn Volcano

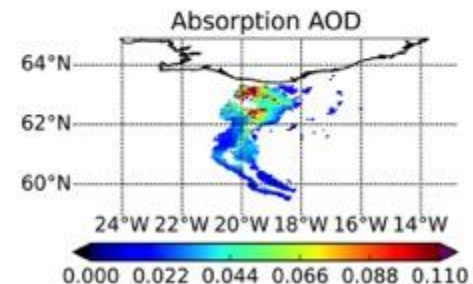
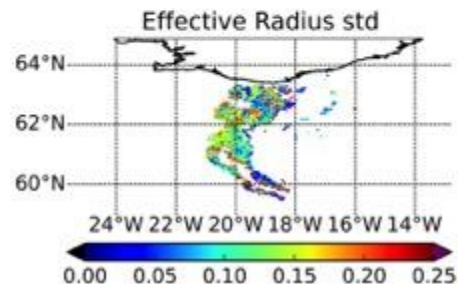
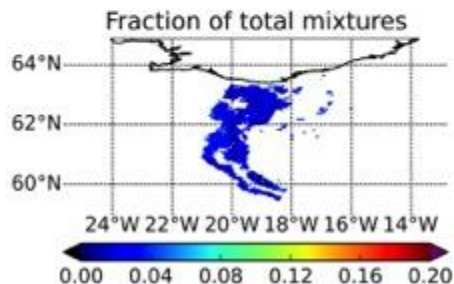
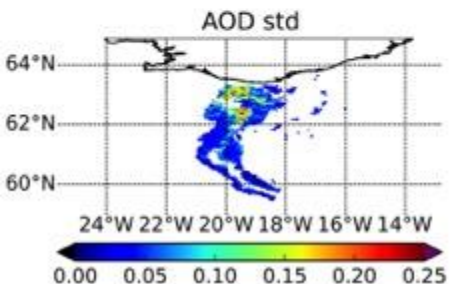
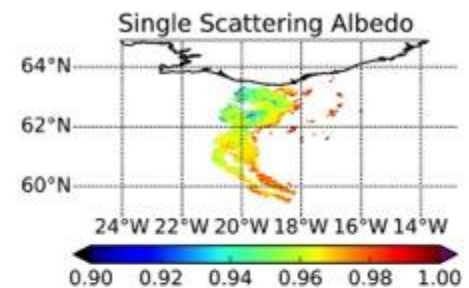
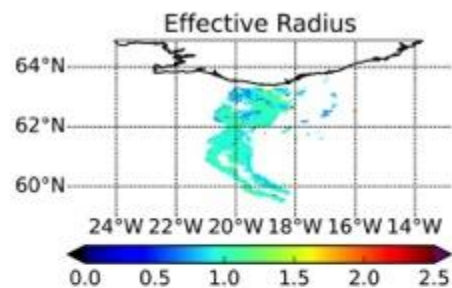
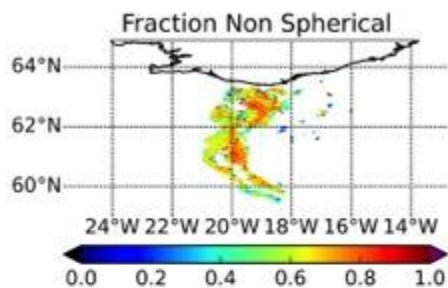
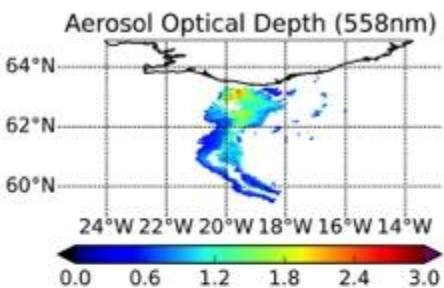
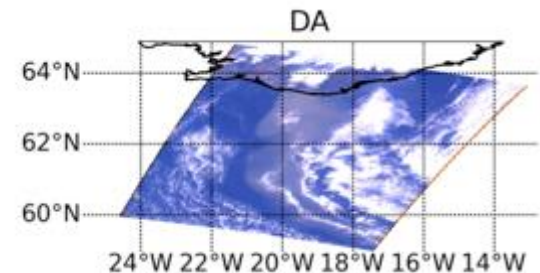
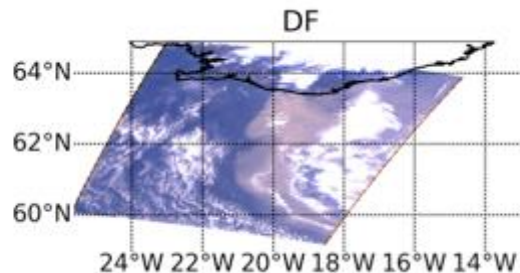
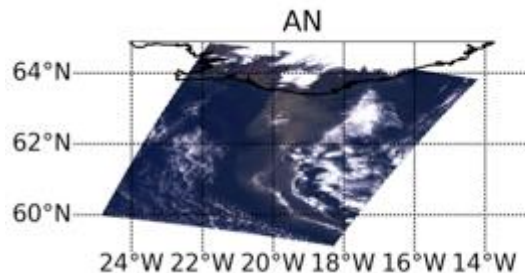
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# *MISR Research Aerosol Retrievals*

*(AOD, particle properties)*

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## ***MISR Summary***

- ~ ***Weekly global coverage*** – good primarily for retrospective analysis, but not for real-time analysis in most cases
- ***AOD, Plume Height, Ash/Sulfate*** (aerosol type) are all available from MISR where coverage of volcanic plumes exists
- Free troposphere aerosols tend to be transported long distances in relatively thin ***layers of relative atmospheric stability***
- Good ***optical analogs for volcanic ash*** at visible wavelengths are ***needed*** as input to the satellite retrievals





## Satellites

frequent, global  
*snapshots*;  
aerosol amount &  
aerosol type maps,  
plume & layer heights

Aerosol-type  
Predictions;  
Meteorology;  
Data integration

## Model Validation

- Parameterizations
- Climate Sensitivity
- Underlying mechanisms

Must stratify the global satellite  
data to treat appropriately  
situations where **different**  
**physical mechanisms** apply

## Remote-sensing Analysis

- Retrieval Validation
- Assumption Refinement

## Regional Context

## CURRENT STATE

- Initial Conditions
- Assimilation

## Suborbital



targeted chemical &  
microphysical detail



point-location  
time series



Models

space-time interpolation,  
**Aerosol Direct &  
Indirect Effects**  
calculation and prediction

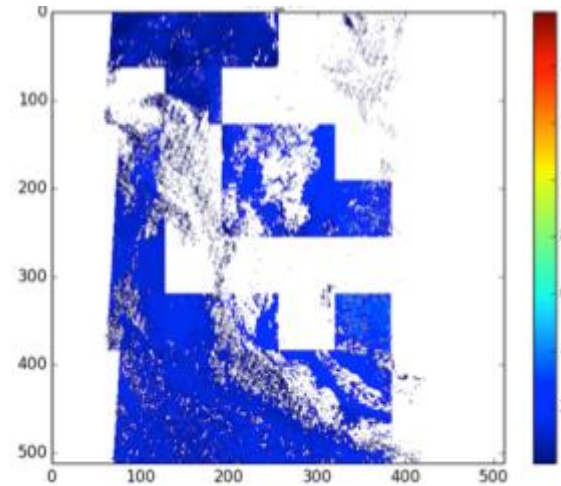
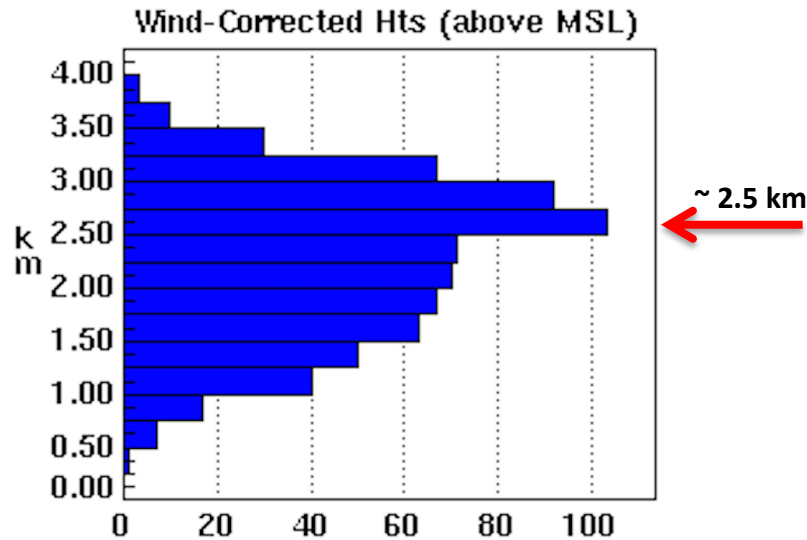


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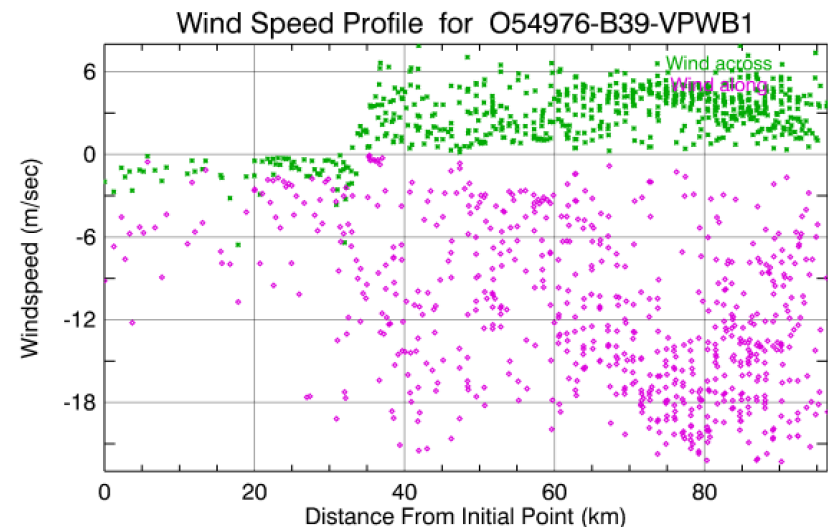
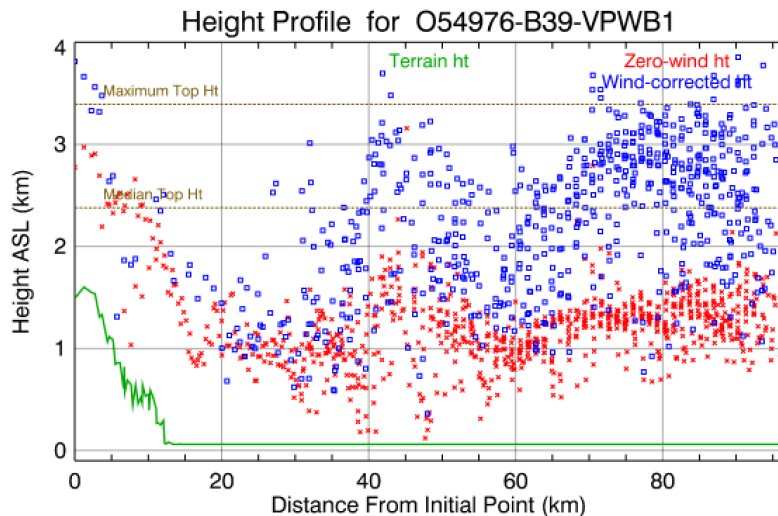
# Grimsvötn Volcano

## MINX Stereo Heights & Winds

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MISR **Standard** Stereo Height Map



# *MISR Research Aerosol Retrievals*

*(AOD, particle properties)*

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